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FOR

J. R. Race & Co.'s

EIGHTH ANNUAL LIST.

BIG C

From Pole to Pole

AYER'S SARSAPARILLA has demonstrated its power of cure for all diseases of the blood.

The Harpooner's Story.

Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Twenty years ago I was a harpooner in the North Pacific, when five others of the crew and myself were laid up with scurvy. Our bodies were bloated, gums swollen and bleeding, teeth loose, purple blotches all over us, and our breath smelled rotten. Take it by and large we were pretty badly off. All our medicine was accidentally destroyed, but the captain had a couple dozen bottles of AYER'S SARSAPARILLA and gave us that. We recovered on it quicker than I have ever seen men brought about by any other treatment for scurvy. And I've seen a good deal of it. Feeling no mention in your Almanac of your SARSAPARILLA being good for scurvy, I thought you ought to know of this, and so send you the facts.

Respectfully yours, RALPH Y. WINKLER.

The Trooper's Experience.

Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Gentlemen: I have much pleasure in testifying to the great value of your SARSAPARILLA. We have been stationed here for over two years, during which time we had to live in tents. Being under canvas for some time, I was afflicted with the "tropical" disease, which I had three or four times. I was laid up for some time, and I was very much distressed. I was told to take your SARSAPARILLA, and I did so. I was cured in a few days, and I am now quite well.

Respectfully yours, T. K. BODEN.

Trooper, Cape Mounted Riflemen.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

Is the only thoroughly effective blood purifier, and the only medicine that cures the diseases of the blood, such as Scurvy, Eczema, and other skin diseases.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Sold by all Druggists. Price \$1; six bottles for \$5.

A FINE WEAPON.

The Severe Tests to Which English Bayonets Are Subjected.

The former test for the ordinary triangular Martini-Heery bayonet was to bend them over a simple bridge like the bridge of a violin, and in the case of swords they were bent by hand to a bow of about 4 inches. Bayonets and swords, if even weak, would stand these tests. Now, however, the tests are extraordinarily severe. The bayonet has its point pushed into a socket or shoe, and is then bent by hand pressure over a wood arch of a segment of curve equal to nearly its entire length, and which has an elevation at its central of 2 1/2 inches, the blunt end of the bayonet being bent over to the extent of more than 4 inches. The metal must then spring back to its former condition, without the slightest permanent set. This test is applied to all the three sides of the bayonet. It is then tested by torsional strain by being fixed in an apparatus in which the strain of 80 pounds, suspended weight, is applied. Finally, it is struck by hand with the hardest blows upon each of its sides, against a solid oak block, by which, if it has any flaws, the bayonet will be certainly broken. It the slightest permanent bend or set can be detected after these proofs, the bayonet is at once rejected. To swords similar critical tests are now applied, and the most important features being the introduction of a test for proving the rigidity of the sword, besides the test for proving its temper or flexibility.

The ordinary carbine saw-bayonet is subjected to a test of this class. But the most searching of all these tests are those applied to the cavalry swords. These are 34 inches long, and 5-16 of an inch thick at the back. Each blade is first bent over a wood arch of nearly its own length to the extent of two feet at its blunt end, its point being fixed. It is then put in a frame perfectly vertical, and it must stand the weight of 32 pounds upon it without the slightest indication of any deflection. The Enfield blades stand this test to the extent of 36 pounds. The blade is next forced down by leverage to the extent of 6 inches, bowing proportionately on either side. Two powerful cuts are then made by hand against a wood block, one with the front edge, the other with the back. The sword blade is then tested by being placed in a trough or mould finished up to a mechanical fit. The handle and guard being acted on, the sword is then tested by being struck on the blade. The ordinary swords in the service are of the 1882 pattern, and like the bayonets, are slightly too light and weak at the ends of the blades. The new sword of 1885 pattern are heavier, and strengthened by a greater thickness and depth of metal at the cutting portion of the blade. The new bayonets are three ounces heavier in weight than the former Martini-Heery bayonets, although the same length as the original pattern. All the present forms of bayonets are destined, it would seem, to give way to the latest pattern sword bayonet, which will probably receive general acceptance as the finest and most useful weapon ever associated with the rifle musket.—London Standard.

NOT SO VERY OLD.

The Age of Certain Trees Supposed to be Venerable.

Those who, like Dr. Holmes, have many trees scattered about in various parts of the country, will be interested in a paper by the Prussian Chief Forester Gortek, in the last number of the *Forstliche Blätter*. He declares it to be a fact that there trees in the German forests which have lived for a thousand years. Even the so-called "historical trees," he says, to which an age of seven hundred to eight hundred years is imputed, are nothing but "hollows surrounded with bark, vegetating only as stumps." No tree can reach so great an age in Central Europe and remain healthy. He has been at the pains to make inquiries at all the German, Austrian and Russian forest academies, and, comparing their reports with his own long researches, he has compiled a table of the comparative ages of different sorts of trees in Central Europe. The highest age is attained by the pine; but after it has reached the limit of sound life it declines more rapidly than any of the leaf trees, which continue vegetating long after they have begun to decay. The oldest pine tree, judging by its annual rings, reaches an age of 570 years. The next in age, the white fir of the Bohemian, is 429 years old. The larch, in Bavaria, was at its oldest in 274 years. The oldest sound oak, which is at Aachenburg, is 410 years of age. The oldest red beech, also at Aachenburg, is 245. The highest point of healthy age with other leaf trees is as follows: The mountain ash, 270 years; the hornbeam, 190 to 200 years; in Silesia, the elm, 170 years; the aspen tree, 219 years. The most frequent among "the so-called historical trees" in Germany are lime trees (linden). The renowned "Linden" of Neudorf, on the Kocher, in Württemberg, is known by the local chronicle to have had its branches supported by 17 strong staves in the year 1418, so that it must even then have been a venerable tree. It has now seven horizontal branches, which are supported at from five to seven feet from the ground—by stone columns. It is reported to be over 700 years old. It is hardly to be said to be alive; it is hollow, and is supported by internal as well as external masonry.—Boston Herald.

"Charley has a fearful disposition. He is selfish, little and cowardly. I don't know where he got it," said a father to his wife the other day. "Nor I either," said the wife. "He certainly didn't get those defects from me," continued the father. "No, I don't think he did," said the mother; "in fact, I'm sure he didn't get them from you." "What makes you so certain?" asked the husband. "Because you have not lost any of your defects that I can see," replied the mother, with indications of storm.—Exchange.

Wonderful Cures. W. D. Hoyt & Co., wholesale and retail druggists of Rome, Ga., say: We have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery Electric Bitters and Buckle's Arnica Salve for two years. Have never handled remedies that sell so well, or give such universal satisfaction. They have been some wonderful cures effected by these medicines in this city. Several cases of pronounced consumption have been entirely cured by use of a few bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery, taken in connection with Electric Bitters. We guarantee them always. Sold by Swearingen & Hubbard.

Use Asbestos Paints. m26-dawit

DISSATISFIED! CHEAP CHARLEY'S CORNER!

The average American clothier is often a cynic. Old Prob's sprites may bring him heat or cold, rain or shine, but he is never quite pleased. Instead of commanding circumstances, he is conquered by them, and so grumbles.

B. STINE has no place for that sort of thing. While others hesitate we act.

500 SPRING OVERCOATS,

in all the latest shades, ranging in price from \$5.00 to the finest that can be produced, silk faced and silk lined, just received and waiting your inspection.

OUR NEW STYLES OF

Spring Clothing,

in Men's, Youths', Boys' and Children's are arriving daily.

Bear in your mind the indisputable fact that we carry by far the largest, best assorted, best fitting and most stylish stock of clothing in the city, and guarantee prices and quality at all times.

B. STINE.

One of the Largest Retail Clothine Houses in Central Illinois.

We are ready to receive our friends and customers in our

REMODELED STORE.

You know we have en'larged our quarters, and with the enlargement of the store we have also

Greatly Enlarged Our Stock!

We claim, and everybody knows that everything we claim is true, as we are not given to boasting, that we have now on our counters

The Largest, the Neatest, the Best-Selected Spring Stock of

CLOTHING,

For Men, Youths, Boys and Children.

EVER SHOWN IN THE CITY.

We call for an inspection. Yours,

CHEAP CHARLEY.

W. P. LAKE,

423 East Main Street,

DECATUR, ILL.

Makes a Specialty of Cleaning

CESS POOLS,

VAULTS,

OISTERS,

WELLS.

HE ALSO

Digs Wells, Cisterns, Cess Pools,

Vaults, Etc.,

DOES GRADING AND SODDING,

Furnishes Rod by the Load when desired.

Has Patent Appliances for Cleaning

Vaults and Pools. No disagree-

able odors while at work.

For reference inquire of John K. Warren or

W. B. Chambers. All orders by mail or other-

wise will receive prompt attention.

March 4-12m

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

JOHN A. BROWN

ATTORNEY AT LAW

AND MASTER IN CHANCERY for Mason county

Illinois. Office over Adams & Burgess drug

store. Entrance from court house stairway.

BUNN & PARK.

(D. L. Bunn, Edwin Park.)

ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

Office No. 14 East Main street, up-stairs, De-

catatur, Illinois.

B. I. STERNETT

ATTORNEY AT LAW.

Office with C. H. Fuller, over the Postoffice

Building, Decatur, Illinois.

J. M. CLOKEY,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR

AT LAW.

Office over the Decatur National Bank. Spe-

cial attention to matters in Probate and Chan-

cery.

D. WHEELER, M. D.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

Special attention given to the diseases of

women and children. Office No. 112 N. Water

street. Residence 322 West Main St., Decatur,

Ill., Feb. 5 1886-1887

DENTIST.

Office over Barber & Baker's shoe store, East

Main street. Residence No. 11 North Main St.,

Decatur, Illinois.

H. PASCO, Notary Public.

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY, WALKER, ADAMS

AND DEALER IN REAL ESTATE.

Office over Barber's store, 15 East Main street,

from the north side of the city. Will receive

business communications at the residence, 15

East Main street, Decatur, Illinois.

Public Notice is hereby given that the con-

tract for the improvement of North Main

street, from the north side of the city to the

city limits, by grading, graveling, guttering

and paving with brick, according to the

plans and specifications of an ordinance

relating thereto, passed by the city council

February 12th, 1886, will be let to the lowest

responsible bidder, and that sealed bids will

be received at the office of the City Clerk, in

Decatur, Ill., from the date hereof, until 5

o'clock P. M., of the 19th day of May, A. D. 1886,

for the labor and for the materials to be used

in the improvement of said street, and for the

entire improvement of said street, including

labor and materials. All bids when received

will be submitted to the city council for its

action.

F. C. BETZER, City Clerk.

Decatur, Ill., April 1st, 1886.

NEW THROUGH LINE

EAST.

On and after Sunday, May 16th, trains via

St. Louis and St. Paul will leave Decatur at 11:30 a. m.

and 10:30 p. m. Both trains connect at St. Louis

with all lines for the West. The 10:30 p. m.

train will have Pullman Sleeping Cars from

Decatur through Columbus, Mo., via Pan

handle route, arriving at Columbus at 11:15

next morning. This train will also have a

Pullman Chair Car from Decatur to Chicago

without change, arriving at Chicago at 8 a.

m. Both trains will have Pullman Dining

Cars. Tickets for the above trains will be

secured at Illinois Central office in De-

catatur, Ill., or at the office of the

General Passenger Agent.

JOHN A. LAKE.

General Passenger Agent.

May 7-1st

BRADLEY BROS.'

Popular New York Store.

15c.

Misses Solid Colored Ingrain Hose.

18c.

Misses' Fancy Pin Stripes Hose.

15c.

Misses' Solid Colored with White Feet.

15c.

Misses' Solid Colored Black Hose with

White Soles.

20c.

Misses' Fancy Plaid Hose, worth 30 cents.

35c.

Misses' Full, Regular French Lisle Hose,

all Colors.

20c.

Misses' Full, Regular Made Pink and Blue

Silk Clocked Hose, worth 35 cents.

19c.

Ladies' Regular Made Balbriggan Hose,

worth 25 cents.

19c.

Ladies' Lisle Thread Hose, Black and Col-

ored, worth 30 cents.

23c.

Ladies' Fancy Pin Stripes Regular Made

Hose.

25c.

Ladies' Fine Pin Striped, Assorted Colors,

worth 35 cents.

25c.

Ladies' Full, Regular Made, Solid Colors,

Balbriggan Hose, worth 35 cents.

WM. YOUNG.

CARL YOUNG.

YOUNG BROS.

HAVE OPENED THEIR

NEW MEAT MARKET,

North Side of Park,

And are prepared to furnish the very best

Fresh and Cured Meats,

LARD ETC.

Merchant Tailoring.

Your attention is called to the SUPERIOR

CLASS OF WORK made by

FLEURY,

THE FRENCH CUTTER.

You will notice:

The best quality of woollens is used!

The fine trimmings with which gar-

ments are embellished!

Their perfect fit and the excellence

of style!

and last, but not least, the fact that the

Lowest prices for fine garments are at

FLEURY'S,

158 Merchant St., Decatur

Nov. 6-dw1

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

DECATUR, ILL., April 13, 1886.

The partnership of Mrs. Sibley & Kinkaid,

is dissolved from date, by mutual consent.

R. F. SIBLEY, M. D.

A. M. KINKAID, M. D.

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PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

Sealed proposals will be received at the

office of the city clerk until 4 o'clock p. m.

May 9, 1886, for furnishing the city with coal

for use at water works, hose houses, and such

other places where coal may be used for city

purposes, coal to be delivered to the several

places where consumed. The city council re-

serves the right to reject any and all bids.

F. C. BETZER, City Clerk.

April-13dw1

NEW MEAT MARKET!

Danzeisen & Son

HAVE OPENED THEIR

NEW MEAT MARKET

—AT—

No. 16, Merchant St.,

which has been fitted up with new fixtures and

everything put in the most complete order.

We will keep constantly on hand all kinds of

FRESH AND SALT MEATS,

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Ham, Bacon

Sausage, Lard, Etc.

WE SELL ONLY THE BEST QUAL-

ITY OF MEATS.

DANZEISEN & SON.

FRANK W. HAINES

BILL POSTER, DISTRIBUTOR.

AGENT SMITH'S OPERA HOUSE,

may be found on inquiry at the REPUBLICAN

Counting Room

P. PERL

Funeral Director.

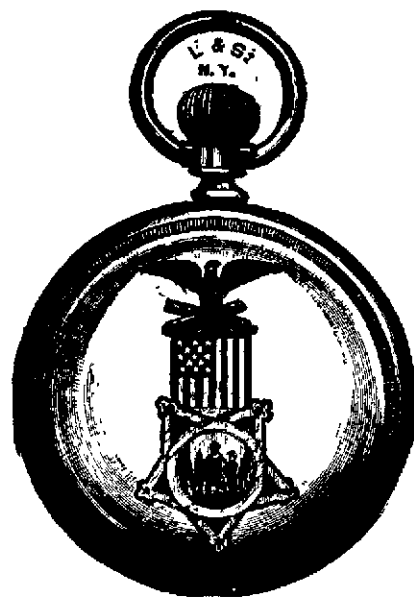
144 1/2, 144 and 146, North Main St.

Telephone 14.

May 9, 1886-dw1

Funeral Director.

THE G. A. R. WATCH.



Solid Gold Inlaid Grand Army Emblem

Good Stem Wind Pendant Setting, Elgin or Waltham Movement.

A good watch within the reach of all.

Anticipating a large sale on these goods we have placed them at only \$12.00 each. All the "OLD VETS" are invited to call and see it.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BROTHER

Leading Jewelers and Opticians.

EVERYTHING

—AS—

FINE AS SILK

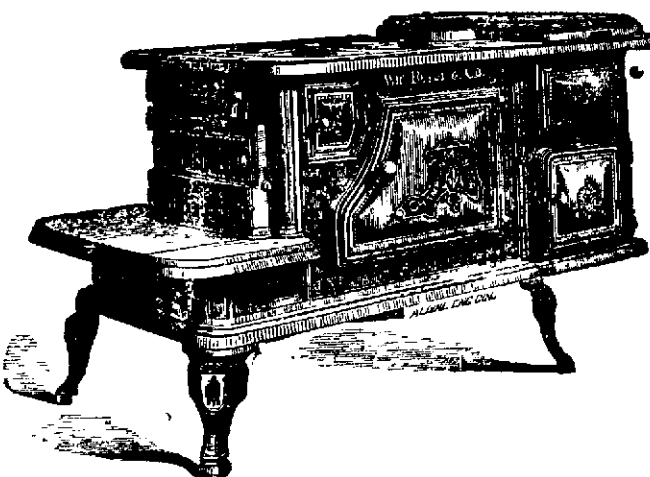
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BREWER'S BAKERY,

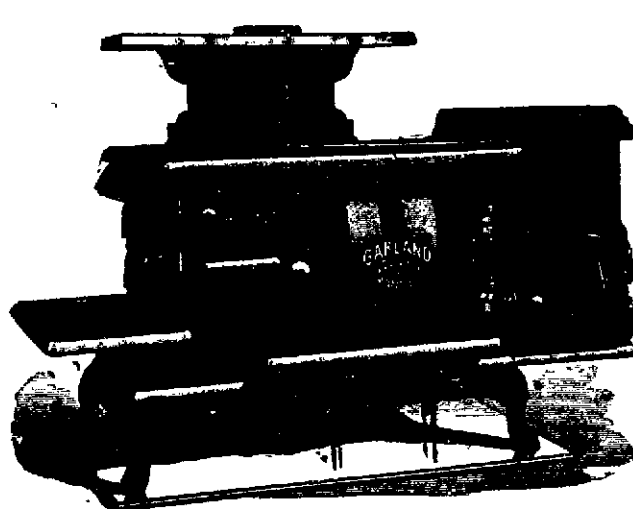
211 North Main St., Decatur, Ill.

Sept. 14, 1895—dlt

"MONITOR."



"GARLAND."



Old and Reliable Stoves with all the Latest Improvements.

SOLD ONLY BY
FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT
125 North Water Street.

The Daily Republican.

TERMS:
For week, payable to carrier, 10 Cts.
One year, in advance, \$5.00
Six Months, " 3.00
Three Months, " 1.50

TUESDAY EVE., APRIL 18, 1895.

LOCAL NEWS.

BABY Carriages, \$2.50 to \$35.00 each, at
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.

"HAZEL KIRKS" to-night.

MATINEE Saturday afternoon.

PREDICTION: "Light local rains and
stationary temperature."

LADIES' fine Hand-turned Shoes, new
goods, at Barber & Baker's. 19-dit

Lots of new goods at the 99 Cent
Store. 10-dit

J. H. KREBS has toned up his restaurant on Prairie street in fine style with
new paper and other decorations.

CALL on D. F. Hamaker for substantial
road carts. Repair work a specialty.

The funeral of the infant daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Foster took
place quietly to-day. The child died yesterday evening.

WINNOR & NEWTON, also Devoe & Co.'s
Tub Colors, at Myer & Son's. dit

The Apollo Club will sing at the Good
Temple's entertainment to-night. Hear them.

JUSTICE STEVENS had two plain drunks
before him last evening—\$3 and costs each.

MANY times have we asked you to turn
your eyes to the advertisement of the
"T. O. & Co." clothing. Do so now.

To-night—young men's meeting in Y.
M. C. A. Rooms at 7:30 o'clock. Subject,
"Nathan, the Leper." John Hostetler
will lead the meeting. All young men
cordially invited.

The new term of the Decatur Municipal
College opens April 18th. The College
will be closed for vacation during July
and August. New Haworth Block, eleva-
tor entrance on Water St. April 18th

Last evening "Squire" Albert felt eight
feet from an old building on the Levee,
striking a counter. He was so severely
struck that he had to be taken home in
a vehicle. He is slowly recovering from
his bruises.

EXTRA fine fresh fish and California
fruits in great variety at Peter Ulrich's
family grocery store.

E. B. PAVOZ has qualified as justice
of the peace and has received his com-
mission. His bond was for \$2,000. He
is now looking about for a suitable office.
He is in possession of the McGorray
doctors.

PARTIES going East or West, North or
South, should call on C. H. Brown, Wash-
ington ticket office, Union Depot. 25-dit

The general offices of the Peoria, De-
catur & Evansville railroad company are
to be removed from Peoria to Evansville.
The company would do much better to
locate the offices in Decatur. But per-
haps they know best what they ought to do.

You can depend on the New Deming
baggage wagons, at all trains. April 18th

Six Lehman & Bolen, on Merchant
street. They have a full line of reliable
family groceries.

A. E. KINNEY has just sold three lots
in his addition out West Wood street,
beyond John street. The purchasers are
R. G. Wagy, \$150; C. H. Brinkman, \$150,
and Catherine Reese, \$150.

Ask your grocer for White Foam fam-
ily flour. It is made in Decatur by Hat-
field & Co.

The superb Haines Bros.' pianos can
only be had at C. B. Prescott's parlor, in
open block.

Send your orders for family groceries
to Niedermeyer, on the Mount.

The Bluegrass Shop to have your ve-
hicles remodeled, repainted, or good,
strong, reliable jobs to order, of which
we make a specialty.

This week Dustman & Meyer offer ex-
tra bargains in stylish parlor and cham-
ber suits at their store, in Haworth
block.

For low rates to California via all
routes, single or round trip tickets, call
on C. H. Brown, Washab ticket office,
Union Depot. mar 25-dit

A PARTY of hunters from Decatur have
succeeded in the swampy woods of Mercedia by
killing the swamps of that locality
bearing a huge murre to be used in
shooting ducks. A hunter conceals him-
self behind the mirror and the ducks pay
no attention to him until they are fired
upon.

Store your stoves with W. F. Dennis
& Bro., and have them put up in the fall
in first-class shape. 611 North Water St.
mar 20-dit

You can buy an elegant folding cut-
ting table or ironing board for 25 cents
at the 99 Cent Store. Also large sized
clothes hampers and racks for 99 cents.
10-dit

Fresh eggs, good butter and choice
fruits at Hanks & Patterson's, 143 South
Water street.

For Artists' Supplies call on Myer &
Son, who will give you the lowest prices.
dit

Telephone the New Deming for bag-
gage wagons, day or night, or telephone
133. Geo. W. EMBERT, Manager.
April 18th

SHILOH'S VITALIZER is what you need
for Consumption, Loss of Appetite, Dizziness,
and all symptoms of Dyspepsia. Price 10
cents per bottle. Sold by S. M. Irwin and
C. F. Shilling, druggists.

Upolstering.
I most respectfully announce to the
citizens and my many customers that I
have received my spring stock of goods,
which is the best stock ever shown in
the city. I should like to have you call
and see it and learn prices. I have also
an entirely new stock of window shades,
which can't be beaten for styles; also a
full line of awning goods which I make
up on short notice. There is nothing in
the furniture line that I don't repair, and
any style of new parlor furniture made
to order. Give me a call when needing
anything in my line. C. F. HART
45-dit

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS made miserable by
that terrible cough, Shiloh's Cure is the rem-
edy for you. Sold by S. M. Irwin and C. F.
Shilling, druggists.

CATARRH CURED, health and sweet breath
secured, by Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price
50 cents. Nasal Injector free. Sold by S. M.
Irwin and C. F. Shilling, druggists.

Musical.
Special Assembly of Decatur Council
No. 16, R. & A. Masons, this (Tuesday)
evening at 7 o'clock, for work. All Royal
and Select Masons are requested to be
present. N. L. KROOK, T. L. M.
J. O. HOSTETLER, Sec'y.

NO FREE STRIKE NEWS.

Trains Moving at East St. Louis—Militia
on Duty—All Quiet.

To-day telegraphic news informs the
public that all is quiet on the Cahokia,
and that trains are moving without inter-
ference at East St. Louis. In the Louis-
ville & Nashville yards, where the Deca-
tur Guards are stationed, two trains were
sent out yesterday and more went out to-
day. Reports are to the effect that the
military companies are having hard work
doing guard duty, but meet with no in-
cidents. Each man is on duty two hours
and is off four hours.

GOING TO THE FRONT.

W. T. Wells, father of Captain Frank
Wells, will go to East St. Louis to-mor-
row morning. Parties wishing to for-
ward articles to members of the Guards,
can place them in charge of Mr. Wells,
who will see that they are safely deliv-
ered. Packages should be plainly address-
ed and left at the retail hardware store
not later than 8 o'clock this evening.

GOING TO THE FRONT.

Lieutenant Cornthwaite telegraphed this
morning: "A few shots fired last night,
nobody hurt. Things rather lively."

Lieut. Cornthwaite writes that Harvey
Shockey came down Saturday and that
he was not to work washing dishes for
Co. H. Will Montgomery is acting as
quartermaster sergeant for Co. H. The
soldier "I think if everything remains quiet
we will get home this week. Can't say
positively. Two shots were fired at
pickets on duty last night. Nobody
hurt."

Lon Eymann writes to his father to the
same effect.

The soldier boys have commenced
writing letters to the "old folks at home,"
telling of their experience in active ser-
vice. It is not so much of a penic as
they thought the trip would be. They
are all well.

Geo. E. Lary, formerly Decatur agent
for the I. D. & S. Road, is now East St.
Louis agent for the Cairo Short Line
Company. He is said to have taken out
his coat and worked faithfully for the
company all through the strike, seeing
that the cars kept moving as regularly as
possible.

William Smith, of Springfield, did not
like to remain at his station of sentry at
East St. Louis because he did not feel
presentable with a rip in that portion of
his garments sold by the pair, and when
he deserted his post to get a needleful of
thread at the camp of Company G, Fifth
Regiment, to which he belonged, he was
sent home under order of court martial.

It is reported that Smith was the man
who so courageously clubbed his rifle
and captured the striker who shot at him,
instead of Kent, who was given credit for
the act.

Robbery.
During last night John Kelly was
assaulted near the Union depot and
robbed of his watch and \$10.50 in cash.
His assailants are supposed to have been
three or four in number but their names
are unknown. This forenoon the Marshal,
Officer-Hewes and Billy McCormick, hav-
ing heard of four suspicious parties in
the vicinity of the water works, took a
trap in that direction. They came upon
the chaps, but they moved off rapidly
when they saw the officers coming. The
fugitives divided and having the advan-
tage of a good start they easily got away.
The pursuers came back with strong ap-
petites for dinner.

Gene Fishing.
Yesterday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. John
R. Miller, Mrs. Proctor, E. McClellan, W.
E. Bingham, M. Glone and grandson,
Jesse Moore, left for Mackinaw on a
fishing excursion. They will be gone an
indefinite period, and anticipate a big
harvest of fish.

Robbery.
The meat market adjoining A. Stecher's
grocery store on West Main street was
entered by one or burglars last night and
robbed of \$2 in cash and a lot of hams.
No arrests.

M. P. MURPHY is meeting with grati-
fying success in recruiting subscriptions
for Gen. Grant's book. The weather has
not been such as would permit of a cen-
sus through the country, but it is Mr.
Murphy's intention to make a thorough
tour of his territory—a regular house to
house visitation—and thus afford every-
body an opportunity to secure a copy of
the most interesting and instructive book
of the century.

We are requested to state that if W.
H. Bramble will become a candidate for
alderman in the third ward, he will re-
ceive the support of many voters and be
triumphantly elected. Mr. Bramble, in
past years, has made one of the best of-
ficers Decatur has ever had, and many re-
sidents of the third ward are anxious to
have him back in the council.

A STRAY THIEF got on the stage at the
opera house last night and stole several
articles from the actors. Mr. Bayle lost
a pass-book containing his railroad
passes, permits and accounts. Mr. Mon-
tague a \$10 pair of gold cuff buttons, a
gift from his wife, and Mr. Bowers a
cigar and tobacco case. The thief is
wanted. "Sponge him out."

CANDIDATES for aldermanic honor and
misery will loom up this week, as the time
of the city election is but a week distant.
At the present writing it looks as if L. F.
Muzzy was going to have a clear field in
the second ward, A. Shoemaker ditto in
the fifth, while in the fourth H. O. Oakes
and Henry Metz will run for the place.

Good Templars.
The Lodge will give an entertainment
at their hall, in Court House Block, on
Tuesday evening, April 18th. A splendid
program will be rendered by members of
Decatur Lodge. The thrilling Temper-
ance Drama, in two acts, "The Last
Lost," will be presented with a good cast,
Music by local talent. Admission, 15 cts
All invited. 12-21

PARTIES out West William street com-
plain because cows being driven to pas-
tures stray about and tramp over boni-
fides and lawns. There is a cyclone of
vengeance blowing up for the careless
drivers of the cows.

Turner Bros.
At No. 156 South Main street, next door
north of Imboden's meat market, keep a
choice and full line of fresh family gro-
ceries, provisions, etc., including all fresh
vegetables in their season. Potatoes, fresh
butter and eggs a specialty. Goods deliv-
ered to any part of the city. They re-
spectfully ask a share of the patronage of
the public. 12-dit

We are Practical Workmen, and know
what we handle. Myer & Son. dit

City Politics.

A mass meeting of about 35 members
of the Labor Party met last night at the
hall of 2435 Knights of Labor, and dis-
cussed the proposition made to select
candidates for aldermen in the five wards
in the city. Franklin Priest was elected
permanent chairman and W. B. Davison
secretary. There was an animated dis-
cussion on the question of meddling with
city politics, but finally those in favor of
the proposition outvoted the conserva-
tive members of the party, and a commit-
tee of five was appointed for each ward
to select a candidate who will make the
race. The committee are to report at the
adjourned meeting to be held Thursday
night, when the candidates in the several
wards will be made known.

It is understood that A. Shoemaker
and John Gogerty are fighting for the
nomination in the fifth ward, and that
Franklin Priest may be named for the
first.

Matrons All Stirred Up.

Judge Hughes named the Coles county
circuit court at Charleston yesterday.
In his charge to the grand jury he di-
rected their attention to several Matron
merchants who, during the dull times
following the holidays, disposed of some
of their surplus stock by raffish, and re-
minded the jury that in doing so the
merchants had plainly violated the law
and should be indicted. He was even
more pointed in his remarks against a
great lottery scheme inaugurated in Mat-
toon during the last few months under
the auspices of the Brotherhood of Lo-
comotive Engineers. The lottery, or
"Gift Enterprise," as it is styled, has in-
sured tickets amounting to \$125,000 on
their face, and many of which have al-
ready been disposed of. The capital prize
is a 200-acre farm. There is quite a flurry
in Mattoon over the prospect of the
probable action of the grand jury in the
matter.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Manager Bayle paid his respects to
this office to-day.

George Betzer was moving about yester-
day selling his stock.

Fred. Murphy has been spending a
week at home. He has a sprained ankle.

Dr. J. M. Gregory's excellent letter
from Paris appears in another column.

Mrs. O. B. Gorin and daughter Gussie,
and Miss Nannie Smith, are on their way
to California.

Mrs. E. R. Arnold, of Blue Mound,
left last evening for Garden City, Kan-
sas.

Uncle Johnny Campbell, a hero of the
Black Hawk and Mexican Wars, lives at
Clinton. He celebrated his 92d birthday
recently.

J. M. Ehrman and Harry Miller, of the
Guards, came home last night from East
St. Louis. They were excused because
of illness in their families.

Farmer Van Leer came in from Friends-
Creed yesterday. He reports the wheat
never in a more promising condition. He
has 75 acres in splendid shape.

Samuel Stabler, who is in the 67th year
of his age, is dangerously ill with inflam-
mation of the lungs at his home, on West
Decatur street. He has been confined to
his home several days. The doctor says
his condition is very critical.

H. M. Huff, special agent for the Con-
tinental Fire Insurance Company, who
has been in Lincoln four years, has re-
moved to Decatur with his family. He
resides at 570 West North street, and has
his office with Nichols & Daggett, over
Armstrong's store.

Nowt Cration is in town looking around
to see how much of the place he can re-
cognize after his long absence. Though
somewhat older in appearance than when
he went away he looks exceedingly well,
and is the same polite and affable fellow
as of old. He says he expects to go to
Texas to engage in the stock business.
He owns several thousand acres of land
on the Pecos river.

"When we two parted, I felt that I had
taken cold," said Thomas Takestime,
"and next morning I was hoarse indeed;
but a 25 cent bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough
Syrup fixed me up."

Contentious women are slaves to head-
aches, but twenty-five cents spent for a
bottle of Salvation Oil will restore har-
mony in the household.

Y. M. C. A. Chips.
The rooms were well filled at the soci-
able and practical talk last evening.

Several new members last evening.

The cottage meeting last night was in-
teresting, twenty or thirty citizens have
visited the rooms recently for the first time
and were pleased.

Mr. Burrows' business talk was busi-
ness to the point. All felt that he was
master of his subject.

Misses Emily Hamaker and Nellie
Schroeder rendered a beautiful piano
duet in a manner that called forth much
applause.

"The Temperance Call," rendered by
Messrs. Gher, Johnson, Brown and Diller,
was fine. By request they sang for a sec-
ond piece, the Serenade, "Softly falls the
Moonlight," a most beautiful song writ-
ten for male voices. Miss Sallie McCall
presided at the piano.

The gymnasium, parlor games, stereo-
scopic views, social songs, the great vari-
ety of papers, magazines, books, etc., on
our reading table and social conversation
were the attractions after the program.

John Brett, one of the gymnasium
leaders, is visiting in Iowa. The boys,
young man and even the ladies were in-
quiring after him last evening. He will
return soon.

There were some others very much
missed, also "The Boys in Blue." 567
ladies, shall we give Co. H a reception on
their return? Confer with chairman of
entertainment committee, Elmer Groves,
or the Gen'l Sec'y.

Our orchestra had a fine practice last
evening—getting ready for the next soci-
able.

Those fine stereoscopic views are the
donation of Mr. E. A. West. The hoop
and ring and 132 pin puzzle is from W. A.
Bright; the finely finished checker board
from Allison Barnard. Recent donations
of books and papers are from Mr. John
Trainer, Mrs. W. J. Condon, Mrs. E. A.
Gastman, Mrs. Silas Packard and Milton
Johnson.

The association tenders its most hearty
thanks to the above donors, and if they
will visit the rooms and see how eagerly
their donations are used by young men
and boys, they will feel amply repaid.

HAIR'S Hair Renewer renews, cleanses,
brightens, and invigorates the hair, and
restores faded or gray hair to its youth-
ful color and lustre. People with gray
hair prefer to use the Renewer, rather
than proclaim to the world, through their
bleached locks, that they are becoming
aged, and passing on to decay.

For a good selection of Studies call on
Myer & Son. dit

THE BASE BALL MEETING.

The Club is a Go—Plenty of Money to
Back the Association.

There were about 30 leading business
men and others interested in the pro-
posed base ball association present at the
meeting held at the council rooms last
night, and after attending to preliminary
matters it was decided to meet again at
the same place Wednesday night. O. B.
Gorin, chairman; E. O. Reese, secretary.
A. S. Morgan reported that 65 of the 100
shares had been taken and that if proper
efforts were made the balance of the
shares could be disposed of. The com-
mittee was granted further time and S.
D. Lyon was added to the committee.
C. M. Allison reported for the committee
on grounds, not recommending any par-
ticular point. Cassell's ground could
only be leased for a year at a time. The
Phelan lot might be secured, and possi-
bly James Millikin could be induced to
renew the lease on the old Pine street
ground, but couldn't state whether he
would or not because many residents in
that neighborhood objected to ball games
so near their homes. S. D. Lyon was
added to the committee and the same
was granted until Wednesday night to
report on suitable grounds and the cost
for fitting up the same in a suitable man-
ner.

On motion A. E. Kinney, of the street
car company, was invited to make a pro-
position. He proposed to lease the asso-
ciation 9 1/2 acres of ground suitable for a
park, south of the entrance to Oakland
Park and directly west of the Wabash
track, for a term of three years with the
privilege of five at \$50 a year, the asso-
ciation to make all the improvements and
the company to have all the privileges of
subletting; or will rent the ground at
\$150 a year, the association to have all
privileges, the street car company agree-
ing to furnish free transportation for ball
players. The proposition was considered
a good one, and it was referred to the
committee.

O. B. Gorin presented the paper drawn
up to secure the incorporation docu-
ments. The company is to exist as an
incorporated body for three years. O. A.
Ewing, O. E. Curtis, A. E. Kinney, Sam'l
D. Lyon, A. S. Morgan and C. M. Alli-
son were placed on the paper applying to
the secretary of state for license to incor-
porate.

The last public exhibition of the Wil-
liams collection of oil paintings at the
Palace hotel parlor will be given to-mor-
row from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. All lovers of
art and especially those desiring to pur-
chase pictures for their homes or for
studios to work from should not fail to
call, as the prices will be made very low.

MANAGER E. E. BAYLE says he will give
\$5 to the party who will bring back the
contents of his pass-book, stolen last
night on the stage at the opera house.
No questions will be asked.

A Good Company.

The "Child of the Regiment" was given
last night by the Bayle Dramatic Com-
pany, in good style before a large audi-
ence. The military drama was preceded
by the farce, "Turn Him Out," and both
performances captivated the audience.

The star is the versatile and pleasing ac-
tress, Miss Minnie Castle, who became
the favorite from the first. She sang a
number of songs with splendid effect.
She is well supported by Mr. F. D. Mor-
tague, Mr. Irving, Mr. Bowers, Mr. Low-
is, Miss Grace Elwood, Mrs. Bayle and
others. The company is one of the best
that has ever visited Decatur at the pri-
ce.

To-night the beautiful play "Hazel
Kirks," will be the attraction. Admis-
sion—10, 15 and 25 cents.

Easter Opening.

Mrs. K. Einstein will have an Easter
Opening, beginning Tuesday, the 20th,
continuing the remainder of the week.
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Two coal miners with whom Offi-
cers Cole and Nevins had a racket last
night near the depot, will appear this
afternoon before a justice and be fined
for disorderly conduct. The officers had
to use their clubs to subdue the parties.

The P. D. & E. General Offices.

Peoria Transcript: As a result of the
conferences of the past week, it has finally
been decided to consolidate under one
management the Peoria, Decatur & Ev-
ansville and the Evansville & Terre Haute
railroads, and the headquarters of the
former road will be removed from Peoria
to Evansville. This action was fore-
shadowed when the Evansville people
obtained control of the P. D. & E. and
D. J. Mackey was elected its president,
but it was not thought the change would
come so soon. Indeed, it was believed
there would be no consolidation for some
time to come and that the roads would
continue to be operated independently.
But it was not to be so. The new deal
goes into effect May 1. It is understood
that General Manager Bradbury was ten-
dered the management of the consolida-
ted roads but declined it. Both he and
Traffic Manager Parker have tendered
their resignations to take effect on the
above date.

THAT HACKING COUGH can be so quick-
ly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it.
Sold by S. M. Irwin and C. F. Shilling.

Easter Ball.

The Cigarmakers' Assembly, K. of L.
6074, will give a grand ball at Guard's
Armory on Easter Monday, April 22, to
which the members invite the public
generally. The price of tickets will be
\$1.00, and a pleasant time may be antici-
pated. a12 dit

DIED.

At Orona on April 13 of heart disease, JOHN
COLEMAN, aged 75 years and 11 months.
The deceased owned 40 acres of land, and
had \$200 loaned out. He leaves eight chil-
dren, five of whom are grown.
The funeral will take place Wednesday at

